

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-R-106**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPROVING A “SISTER CITY” AFFILIATION WITH THE CITY OF ARCAHAIE, HAITI THROUGH THE SISTER CITIES PROGRAM; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO EFFECTUATE SAID “SISTER CITY” AFFILIATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Sister City Program (“Program”) is administered by Sister Cities International (“SCI”) and was initiated to encourage greater friendship and understanding between cities located within the United States and other national cities through direct contact; and

**WHEREAS**, the Program strives to build global cooperation at the municipal level, encourage cultural understanding and stimulate economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, additionally, the Program promotes peace through mutual respect, understanding and cooperation through the philosophy of one individual, one community at a time; and

**WHEREAS**, common ties of mutual interests exist between the City of Arcahaie, Haiti and the City of North Miami (“City”); and

**WHEREAS**, the exchange of said interests and cultures by the mutual establishment of a “Sister City” relationship with Arcahaie, Haiti, will enhance the City and its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, under the “Sister City” relationship, both cities commit to support and encourage opportunities for mutually beneficial practical exchanges in the fields of business, arts, culture, education, sports, and tourism; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council find the establishment of a “Sister City” affiliation with Arcahaie, Haiti, to be in the best interest of the City.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1. Approval of “Sister City” Affiliation.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida hereby approve the establishment of a “Sister City” affiliation with the City of Arcahaie, Haiti.

**Section 2.**     **Authority of City Manager.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to effectuate said "Sister City" affiliation.

**Section 3.**     **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by a 5 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 25th day of October, 2016.

  
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DR. SMITH JOSEPH  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
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JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Desulme

Seconded by: Joseph

**Vote:**

Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm. D.  
Vice Mayor Alix Desulme  
Councilman Scott Galvin  
Councilwoman Carol Keys, Esq.  
Councilman Philippe Bien-Aime

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